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|                       |                          | <sup>US-</sup> 5,633,621                                 | 05-27-1997                  | McDonald   | C3, L5-C5, L39   |
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### **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Applicant submits this statement in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97-1.98. This statement is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3) prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits.

Enclosed are copies of the following reference documents.

| Patent No. | Inventor(s) | Date of Publication |
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| 5,337,041  | Friedman    | 08-09-1994          |
| 5,561,412  | Novak       | 10-01-1996          |
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| 5,686,886  | Stensney    | 11-11-1997          |

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### Summary of References:

U.S. Pat. No. 5,337,041 discloses a system that enables a guardian to transmit an alarm signal from a hand-held unit carried by the guardian to a portable alarm unit worn by a child. When the alarm signal is received by the alarm unit, the alarm unit operates to alert the wearer that its guardian is looking for them, and to alert others nearby that the wearer is in need of assistance by producing a number of different alarm indicators. The alarm indicators produced by the alarm unit may include an intelligible voice message, a loud alarm sound, and flashing strobe lights.

U.S. Pat. No. 5,561,412 discloses a patient/nurse call system for a hospital that includes patient stations capable of generating hospital calls and a remote master station which prioritizes and stores the calls. Additionally, nurse-worn badges transmit pulse-coded infrared signals which are received by receivers at the patient stations and in response, the system generates identity and location signals for each nurse which are stored at the master station. The nurse location and identity information may also be retrieved and displayed at any patient station. Receipt of a nurse's infrared signal at a room station automatically cancels a patient call originating from the room and display thereof by the respective hall unit, while actuating a display to indicate nurse presence. Bed monitoring units also interconnect to the patient stations to generate signals related to bed status.

U.S. Pat. No. 5,633,621 discloses an evacuation assistance locator, which includes a processor communicative with a memory device contained with a housing, that is detachably mounted to a fixed structure, such as an office building, for receiving location information from non-ambulatory individuals to assist emergency personnel in quickly finding the non-ambulatory individuals location in the event of an emergency. The housing also includes a display screen and an input keypad so that the non-ambulatory individual can input their location and departure time information and so that only authorized emergency personnel can retrieve the location information by using a secret access code. A plurality of evacuation assistance locations can be linked to a central office for access by the appropriate personnel.

U.S. Pat. No. 5,686,886 discloses a neighborhood watch alert system with multiple alert units in a circuit. The units are used to inform members of the watch of another neighbor's emergency and their location so that the other neighbors can (1) notify the appropriate emergency department and (2) lend personal assistance until help arrives. Each alert unit includes a means for transmitting coded signals to other alert units in the watch circuit, an audible alarm, a plurality of address indicia means with associated separate visual indicator means for identifying and locating the transmitting unit, and means for receiving the coded signals from an alert unit in the watch circuit to sound the audible alarm and activate the visual indicator means to identify and locate the transmitting unit

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The above-described references are submitted herewith along with form PTO/SB/08A for the convenience of the Examiner. Consideration of the foregoing and the making of the references formally of record in the instant application are respectfully requested.

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